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More stuff from last year's County discussions...

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> From: Randy Burleson
> Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2007 5:53 PM
> To: Dennis Mayer
> Subject: Big Sluice Work Plan: El Dorado County
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> Dan, our Rubicon Oversight Committee meeting next week should help prioritize the various projects, but as promised in the last ROC meeting, Friends of the Rubicon (FOTR) has put together a Big Sluice proposed plan. Our intent is to be ready, regardless -- it won't hurt to have this plan in the wings, ready for implementation, even if we don't act on it immediately.
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> Other potential significant projects we'll discuss next week include:
> * preparing the Ellis Creek area for the planned bridge and reroute
> * working drainage 100 to 500 yards east and downhill of the Little Sluice area
> * continue to work Walker Hill drainage, building on FOTR's last three years' worth of efforts
> * building a retaining wall to stabilize safety on the off-sloped area above Buck Island reservoir (hopefully with assistance from Buck's owners, Sacramento Municipal Utilities Department - SMUD).
> I've consulted with many folks from within FOTR, and look forward to the discussion -- ranking projects makes good sense!
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> We know that Big Sluice may not be the project that the Rubicon Oversight Committee (ROC) elects to act on, but it is the project that FOTR believes is the highest priority:
> * threat to lose the precariously-positioned hill-side trail
> * ability to implement clear and lasting improvements to drainage
> * majority support by users and clear, definable success
> * headline-making capability (everyone knows the Big Sluice!)
> FOTR believes that the Big Sluice project offers the best combination of advantages with the least disadvantages. That said, FOTR stands in strong support of any clear plan or project that will maintain the Rubicon Trail experience for the wide range and large number of users.
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> FOTR is looking forward to working with El Dorado County and Tread Lightly! to deliver a headline-making success that will be remembered favorably for years. Though we've had a bit of a slow start selecting the particular project, FOTR remains positive that there are good opportunities for great results, and we're committed to working together with anyone who's willing to help keep the Rubicon open and maintained for the future.
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> FOTR is excited at the opportunity to bring together agencies, organizations, volunteers, and the press!
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